



## THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Thursday, the 5th July 1962.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at three of the clock, the Deputy Chairman (SRI V. K. PALANI-SWAMY GOUNDER) in the Chair.

### L—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

#### STARRED QUESTIONS.

##### *Physically handicapped persons*

\* 89 Q.—SRI L. S. KARAYALAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether any special officer for the physically handicapped has been appointed in the State;

(b) if so, his functions; and

(c) the number of handicapped persons for whom appointments have been secured?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) No, Sir, Only the Employment Office of the Training Centre for Adult Blind, Saidapet, has been taken over by Madras Government with effect from 1st April 1962 for conversion into a full fledged Employment Office for Physically Handicapped in charge of a District Employment Officer.

(b) The functions of the Employment Officer are primarily registration and placement in employment of the physically handicapped and follow up action.

(c) So far no one has been placed in employment.

SRI L. S. KARAYALAR : May I know, Sir, whether this Government have received any communication from the Government of India asking them to appoint an officer for the handicapped?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : Sir, I have no such information with me.

திரு. க. அன்பழகன் : தலைவர் அவர்களே, உடல்நல குறைபாடு காரணமாக, முடம் போன்ற குறைபாடு காரணமாக உள்ளவர்கள் அரசாங்கப் பணியில் ஈடுபடக்கூடாது என்று தடையிருப்பதாகச் சில அதிகாரிகள் கருதி இருப்பதாகத் தெரிகிறது. உண்மையில் தடையில்லை என்று தெரிவிக்க அரசாங்கம் ஏற்பாடு செய்திருக்கிறதா?

கனம் திரு. எம். பக்தவத்சலம் : தனியாகக் கேள்வி கேட்டால் கவனிக்கப்படும்.